



# Minutes NV COMMUNICATIONS STEERING COMMITTEE

<b>DATE</b>	August 23, 2005
<b>TIME</b>	1:30 PM
<b>LOCATION</b>	1263 South Stewart St – Carson City 555 East Washington – Las Vegas
<b>RECORDER</b>	Maggie Thorne

## ATTENDANCE

<b>Carson City Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Las Vegas Members</b>	<b>Present</b>
Terry Savage, Co-Chair, DoIT	✓	Jack Staley, Co-Chair , LV Water Dist.	✓
Robert Chisel, NDOT	✓	Dennis Cobb, LV Metro Police	✓
Neil Harris, Elko Cty Sheriff's Office		Anthony DeMeo, Nye County	✓
Mark Foxen, NV Health Division	✓	Rod Massey, Clark County	✓
Kay Scherer, Dept of CNR	✓	Ronda Hornbeck, Lincoln Cty	✓
Major Bob Wideman, DPS	✓	Louis Amell, City of LV Fire Dept	✓
Adam Garcia, Police, UNR	✓	Greg Marchio, US Secret Service	✓
Jake Conely, Sparks Fire Dept	✓	Theodore Quasula, LV Paiute Tribe	✓
Dan Newell, City of Yerington	✓	Bob Fisher, NV Broadcasters Assn.	
James Johns, Reno Police Dept	✓		
Chris Lake, NV Hospital Association	✓		
Dan Holler, Douglas County	✓		
Pete Menicucci, NV Nat'l Guard	✓		

## Staff

<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>
Mark Blomstrom, DoIT	✓	Glade Myler, Legal Counsel	
Maggie Thorne, DoIT	✓		

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Terry Savage called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

## II ROLL CALL/MINUTES

The roll call was conducted by Maggie Thorne. Present: 20 members, 0 alternates.

Absent: 2

The minutes from the 07/26/05 were reviewed. **A motion was made by Kay Scherer and seconded by Ronda Hornbeck to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.**

### **III. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Terry introduced each new member of the Committee and asked each of them to talk briefly about their background in communications. New Members included:

Louis Amell, Director of Communications for the City of LV Fire Department  
Jake Conely, Captain, City of Sparks Fire Department  
Robert Fisher, Director, Nevada Broadcasters Associations  
Adam Garcia, Director Police Services, University of Nevada  
Greg Marchio, Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Secret Service  
Theodore R. Quasula, Chief of Police, LV Paiute Tribe

Mr. Fisher was the only new member not present.

### **IV. BY-LAWS and VOTING**

After much discussion, it was agreed that no action would be taken on By-laws until the Commission on Homeland Security (CHS) approved their by-laws at their September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Terry Savage mentioned again that the NCSC could not adopt additional rules to their By-laws that conflicted in any way with the CHS By-laws.

It was agreed also to put in the NCSC By-laws a clear clarification on how the Committee is elected and the length of terms, etc.

Terry Savage mentioned that there are 3 more positions opened on the Committee and asked that members give thoughts on who that should be. He indicated he has received some good recommendations. Robert Chisel suggested that we wait until the By-laws are established which may dictate what areas of expertise is needed. Terry asked that this be an agenda item for the next meeting « Composition of the Steering Committee ». Maggie Thorne recommended that some sort of map or picture be drawn showing the current membership and the areas that are covered in order that the members would be able to easily identify where they are lacking in strength. Robert Chisel also asked that the number of radio systems be shown on the diagram. Maggie asked Mark if that data could be extracted from the database and Mark Blomstrom indicated that there would be no problem in doing that.

### **V. SAFECOM**

Terry Savage mentioned that attendance for the September 14 Strategic Planning Session by SAFECOM/NCSC has reached 91 participants. Mark Blomstrom provided a brief background on SAFECOM to all members.

### **VII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Unidentified person with public comment in the North: "Terry, I understand you have a person named Amy in your office sending out a request to verify the database, however we haven't received the data so we can't verify it." Terry asked that he contact Amy directly. Terry also asked members to contact Amy if they haven't received their data.

Terry asked Mark to have Amy contact all NCSC members to see if they have received their data and if not, she should send it again.

Larry Casey (Director, Homeland Security) said that he listened to the comments made on the various language for voting. Larry said "I know it is not the intent of the CHS to heavily dictate how you run NCSC – we are constrained by an imperfect language in SB380 and the CHS is working on some of that, but I will see if I can address with Glade (Myler) and Dale (Carrison) since you can add to what the Commission is doing on By-laws, perhaps you can run your stuff your way since you are the advisory body on communications." Larry concluded that he would try to work the voting out with them.

#### **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Agenda Items for the next meeting"

1. Glade Myler on Open Meeting Laws
2. SEIC Business (if any)
3. Composition of NCSC Membership

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm. Next meeting date: October 4, 2005

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Draft minutes submitted by Maggie Thorne, 08/26/05

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_